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CLUB LUNCHEON

Thursday, January 7-----Toots Shor's Restaurant, 15 West 51st St.

Cocktails at 12 Noon-----Luncheon Served at 12:30 P.M.

Members: \$2.75-----Guests: \$3.25 (Tax & tip included)

THE MIDDLE EAST TODAY

----As Reported by Three Outstanding Religious
Writers

The 1954 Club programs begin auspiciously this Thursday with an authoritative report on the Middle East by three prominent religious journalists who have recently completed a five-week inspection of that strategic sector. Appearing will be: Harold Fey, executive editor of The Christian Century, described by the American Friends of the Middle East, Inc., sponsors of the fact-finding tour, as "perhaps the most influential Protestant weekly in the Western Hemisphere"; John Cogley, executive editor of The Commonweal, a leading journal of Catholic opinion in America; and Morris Lazaron, member of the Board of Editors of the Jewish Newsletter, "liberal publication of life and thought."

The sponsoring AFME sent this trio on the assignment with complete freedom to "report what they see as they see it. AFME desires only to get the full facts about the area before the American people."

The three guest speakers will present brief reports and then open the session to questions.

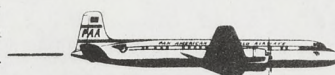
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EUROPE BOUND?

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SIX NEW CONTRIBUTIONS BY CHRISTMAS EVE
SWELL MEMORIAL FUND BY \$475

The Club staff reports that as of Christmas Eve six new contributions to the OPC Memorial Fund, totaling \$475 had been acknowledged. New contributors and the amounts donated were:

J. Walter Thompson Co.....	\$150
Cornelius V. Starr.....	100
John and Margot Barkham.....	100
Committee for Economic	
Development.....	50
Wright Bryan.....	50
Ralph Forte.....	25
Total	\$475

Receipt of a \$100 pledge paid by Elsa Maxwell was also noted.

Meanwhile, the Club wishes to extend its delayed thanks to K.C. Li of the Wah Chang Corporation for a \$500 contribution which had been inadvertently omitted from a previous donor list some months ago.

MEMORIAL FUND BOXSCORE	

Cash:	\$233,945.00
Pledged:	5,430.00
TOTAL	\$239,375.00
We Need:	\$60,625

JAMES V. FOLEY NAMED)
NEW MANAGER OF CLUB)

Effective January 4, James V. Foley will become Manager of the Overseas Press Club, it was announced this week by President J. CLIFFORD STARK. Foley replaces Harold H. Dawson who resigned the managerial post last month. Since the Board of Governors at its December 17 meeting abolished the "Secretary-Manager" title, Foley will hold the title of Manager.

The new Club Manager, who was selected by the Executive Committee from among 50 men under consideration, has had more than 20 years of club management experience. For many years he was manager of the Brooklawn Country Club at Bridgeport, Conn. For the past 5½ years he has managed the Salmagundi Club, a Manhattan arts society of 600 members. In that capacity he directed operations in the five-story club, including restaurant, bar and other accommodations.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: The appointment of LESLIE MIDGLEY (Look) to the Awards Committee by Chairman JOHN BARKHAM, and of WILLIAM DOERFLINGER (E.P. Dutton) to the Book Committee by Chairman RUSSELL F. ANDERSON, was announced this week.

U.S. Army is distributing 10,000 copies of BRUCE JACOBS' book, "Korea's Heroes: The Medal of Honor Story", which received column-long review in recent New York Times Book Review section....Delayed by the newspaper strike: LARRY BLOCHMAN's "Murder Plays an Encore" in the American Weekly. (His Central American mystery novel, "Blow-down", has just been reprinted by Dell.).....Lead piece in December 26 Satevepost, both text and illustration, is by TONY & DICKEY CHAPELLE...BETTY WASON has signed with Doubleday for a cook book, "Dinners That Wait".....HELEN BUCKLER back in town from extensive interviews (in 14 states) on her biography of the first American Negro surgeon, Daniel Hale Williams. Atlantic-Little Brown will publish it in the late spring...Add hidden talent list: WAMBLY BALD, with eight-line part as district attorney in the movie, "Violated".....JOHN STROHM leaves today (January 2) on European and Belgian Congo trip for Country Gentleman (of which he is associate editor) and the 1955 edition of the Ford Almanac, which he also edits....."This is Main Street, France", by BERNARD S. REDMONT, is lead article in current The Sign.

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:NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:
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ACTIVE: J. Robert Moskin, article editor Woman's Home Companion. Since April 1953; public relations office, U.S. Army in Western Pacific (Manila, Okinawa), April to December 1945; reporter, Boston Post, September 1941 to February 1942; Newark Evening News January 1947 to June 1948; assistant to general manager New York Star, June 1948 to January 1949; editor, Town Crier, Westport (Conn.), February to November 1949; medical editor, Look, October 1950 to May 1951 and articles editor, May 1951 to April 1953. Proposed by JOSEPH J. WURZEL; seconded by J. CLIFFORD STARK.

ASSOCIATE: Donald Kimpton Rogers, Reuters. From October 1, 1930 to February 1934 in London, February 1934 to September 1943 in New York, from September 1943 to July 1944 in Rio de Janeiro, from July 1944 to October 1944 in New York, from October 1944 to December 1944 in Buenos Aires, from January 1945 to present in New York, all for Reuters. Proposed by RUSSELL F. ANDERSON; seconded by J. CLIFFORD STARK.

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

ACTIVE: ✓ TILDEN EUSTER, managing editor, Spot Magazine.
✓ LOUISE C. MANN, American Paint Journal.
✓ JOSEPH PULITZER, editor and publisher, St. Louis Post-Dispatch.
✓ HARRY SCHWARTZ, specialist on Soviet Affairs, The New York Times.

ASSOCIATE: ✓ AUGUSTA WALLACE HANDEL, Columbia University

OPC'er APPOINTED BY U.S. NAVY: The appointment of RUSSELL F. ANDERSON as full commander in the Naval Reserve was made this week by the Navy Selection Board. After 12 years' reserve service, ANDERSON recently was awarded the Naval Reserve Medal.

OUR WANDERING COLLEAGUES: Always willing to aid a friend, ROBERT TROUT of CBS hopped down to Miami on Christmas night to help a pal sail his schooner to Nassau....RICHARD THOMAS flew to Cairo for a quick Near East briefing in preparation for extensive lecture tour through Ohio and Pennsylvania this month...B. COHEN and family flying to Chile, planning to return in March... (Editor's Note: If the adventurous wanderings of these and other itchy-footed colleagues spawns jealousy, the Club has just received an invitation extended to Members interested in joining a safari. Contact David Fulford, 343 W. 47th St. Group leaves February 23 for the month-long East African junket. Cost is \$2,500 but, of course, that includes ammunition.)

***** PARIS DATELINE--(Special to The Bulletin)--Foreign Press Association
 * OVERSEAS * of Paris has protested in a resolution to Premier Laniel about (1) the
 * TICKER * expulsion from Spain of Le Monde's Madrid correspondent and (2) the ousting
 ***** of the Paris correspondent of Madrid's ABC (which the French government
 ordered as a reprisal.) Association called both actions "regrettable."
 ... At the annual meeting of the Anglo-American Press Association, Virginia Vernon (London
Daily Mirror) was elected the first woman president. Vice presidents: Paul Archinard
 (NBC) and ERIC HAWKINS, Paris edition of the New York Herald Tribune. JOSEPH DYNAN (AP)
 will serve on the executive committee... Among the 280 French and foreign correspondents
 covering the NATO conference were the following OPC'ers: PRESTON GROVER..DYNAN..PHILIP
 WHITCOMB..ED KORRY..PAUL GHALI..DON COOK..HAROLD CALLENDER..DAVID SCHOENBRUN..BERT
 PERKINS..DAVE BROWN..RICHARD HENSCHER (of SHAPE) and your correspondent, (CURT L.
 HEYMANN.) Press relations for the conference were handled by R.A. Farquharson, former
 editor of Toronto's Globe & Mail, with his deputy, GEOFFREY PARSONS in charge of brief-
 ings. Press coverage represented 29 nations...

Parisian particulars: Toledo Blade has opened a new Paris office with Blair Bolles
 in charge...Marc Purdue, expelled from Teheran, is assigned to local AP staff..Robert
 Shackford, formerly UP'er in London, now head of Scripps-Howard office here..John Thorne
 replaced John Jenkisson as chief of Paris Life bureau.

For the record: New York newspaper strike did not affect European edition of the
Herald Tribune but stopped publication of the New York Times international air edition
 which is printed in Amsterdam from mats flown from New York....Special medals have been
 awarded to American fashion writers by the Paris Couture Syndicate. Among them: Mrs.
 Alice K. Perkins (Women's Wear Daily), Lucie Noel (New York Herald Tribune, Paris
 edition), Mrs. Rosette Hargrove (NEA) and Marie Louise Bousquet (Harper's Bazaar).

AND FINALLY: Season's greetings to all and a hearty invitation to all OPC'ers
 traveling through Paris to give your correspondent a call, day or night (ELYSEES 17-10)
 ..(By CURT L. HEYMANN).

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OVERSEAS MAILBAG: From Ankara--by HAL LEHRMAN--"Arrived in Turkey first week in
 December from Israel. Have been doing pieces for Commentary, Fortune, Reader's Digest,
The Freeman, Wall Street Journal. Next stop Morocco. Home in February for lectures."

From Buenos Aires--by JEAN JAFFE--"There's a huge Santa Claus of papier mache in
 the shopping section of B.A. but the brilliant sunshine makes him look a bit unreal.
 Get my daily dose of news from the two small but venerable local papers. Season's
 greetings to all members."

From Bangkok--by CHARLES L. COLTMAN--" x x x On my return to Bangkok from the FAO
 bi-ennial Conference in Rome (where I was stuck with the thankless job of Conference
 press officer) I found that ALEX MAC DONALD, The Bulletin Bangkok correspondent, is no
 longer with us. MAC evidently decided to retire to his native New England....It was
 nice while in Rome to renew acquaintances with Jim Long and STAN SWINTON of AP, George
 Weller of the Chicago Daily News and Jack Leacacos of the Cleveland Plain Dealer."

 A condensation of CARL BAKAL's "Filter Manual" will be
 featured in the February Photography....(BAKAL, incidentally,
 spent the holiday in Sun Valley)...VICTOR LASKY has just
 signed with publisher Henry Regnery for an "unauthorized
 biography" of Eleanor Roosevelt..."When It Struck Sex
 O'Clock on Broadway", by EDWARD L. BERNAYS is in the 48th
 anniversary number of Variety.

Back in New York after seven months in Europe, NORBERT MUHLEN is writing a book
 on America for a German publisher and articles on Germany for The New Leader, The
Freeman, The Reporter and other U.S. magazines. His story, "Top Secret" (Christian
Science Monitor and Reader's Digest) is being used as a TV show by Alpha Television
 Productions.....Add "Prolific Colleagues": DON ROBINSON has an original in the
 January Reader's Digest, a profile of Taha Hussein, the blind Egyptian writer,
 educator and crusader for democracy....

LARGE GROUP OF CLUB MEMBERS URGES NAMING OF COL. CAMPBELL AS SECRETARY OF THE FCC

It was reported this week that 44 members of the OPC have strongly recommended in a joint telegram that Lt. Col. William B. Campbell be appointed immediately as secretary of the Federal Communications Commission.

The wire was sent to FCC Chairman Rosel Hyde, on December 28. Signers included Past Presidents BOB CONSIDINE, JOHN DALY, LOWELL THOMAS, and EUGENE LYONS, HAL BOYLE and others active in Club affairs. The group said, in the wire, that Past President WYTHE WILLIAMS had been authorized "to see that these endorsements are brought to the attention of those directly or indirectly responsible for making the appointment" to fill the now-vacant post.

(Editor's Note: Going to press early this holiday week, The Bulletin was unable to confirm this action reported in Radio Daily-Television Daily. The Bulletin, however, had previously learned from Mr. WILLIAMS that such action was under consideration.)

The report noted that Col. Campbell was in charge of technical operations of SHAEF broadcasting directorate during World War II under General Eisenhower. He is currently completing a tour of duty in an important communications position at the Pentagon.

***** The president of Ecuador has lifted his ban on the newspaper,
* EL COMERCIO BAN * El Comercio, The Bulletin was informed this week by Virginia
* LIFTED XMAS EVE * Prewett Mizelle, Chairman of the OPC Inter-American Affairs
***** Committee.

The paper resumed publication on December 26 (the ban was rescinded December 24) and dedicated its first issue to "freedom and democracy."

The OPC Board of Governors, as noted, had approved a protest to the Ecuadorian government over the closure of El Comercio (for refusing to publish a government communique attacking the whole Ecuadorian press). The protest was addressed to President Jose M. Velasco Ibarra and signed by Miss MIZELLE and ANSEL TALBERT, chairman of the Club's Committee on Freedom of the Press and Information.

(The re-opening of El Comercio was hailed in a New York Times editorial, declaring that "progress that is being made in Latin America in defending freedom of the press is becoming truly impressive." Said The Times: "The free press all over the hemisphere joined (the Inter-American Press Association) in the struggle, along with organizations like the Overseas Press Club x x x"

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Coal—Fuel of The Future

Without coal a great modern city is a helpless cripple. Heat. Lights. Refrigeration. Transportation. Elevators. Signal systems. Telephone. Industry. All these depend on coal.

One modern city came near such paralysis. That was Berlin in 1948 when the Russians thought to strangle it into submission. Of all the cargo flown into Berlin, 64% was coal. Nearly 1,500,000 tons. Enough to fill 30,000 big, hopper coal cars. That coal was like new blood in a dying man's veins.

We don't fly much coal here in America—occasionally to an arctic defense base or a bag

dropped to a storm-isolated farm house. Coal is something we have always taken for granted. There's plenty to last a thousand—maybe two thousand years. It is widely distributed; and the great coal-hauling railroads like the C & O are equipped to move it rapidly.

For instance, the C & O has invested many millions of dollars in coal cars; in great coal-handling docks at Newport News and Toledo to facilitate water shipments to world and Great Lakes markets. Coal is one natural resource you don't need to worry about. It is the one fuel that will always be plentiful.

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MEMBERS ON THE AIR: Guest on the Christmas Eve "This I Believe" series by WCBS radio was CARROLL BINDER, editorial editor of the Minneapolis Tribune. EDWARD R. MURROW was host. (Speaking of MURROW, his many highly-praised activities will include that of narrator on a hour-long documentary film, "Resources for Freedom" to be produced for CBS TV by Roy Lockwood. Subject is, in effect, the Paley Report on natural resources.) ...Tonight (January 2) ANSEL TALBERT appears on NBC radio program "Thirty Forgotten Men", referring to the American newsmen and others believed to be held in Red China...

News You Knew: The U. S. Ambassador to Italy, Mrs. CLARE BOOTHE LUCE, is back in the states at this time for a three-week stay, ending January 20....PAUL C. SMITH has been promoted to the presidency of Crowell-Collier.

From Our Society Editor: Miss NORMA MORGAN, painter and recipient of a John Hay Whitney Fellowship award, was recently guest of honor at a studio party given by Miss LEAH BRENNER. Many of Miss MORGAN's recent prints and paintings done during a recent two-year stay in Europe were shown at the time.

RITA HUME SECONDARI KILLED IN MAJORCA AUTO CRASH

A cheerful message from the island of Majorca came across The Bulletin editor's desk this week. It read:

"We just received a whole group of OPC Bulletins dating back to last July and had a lot of fun reading them....The island of Majorca seems cut off from the world but it's a good place to be writing a book..All the best."

-- JOHN and RITA HUME SECONDARI.

Two days later came the news that on December 29 RITA HUME SECONDARI was killed in an automobile accident on Majorca. Her husband and fellow member, JOHN, reportedly was driving the car, and suffered minor injuries.

RITA HUME SECONDARI covered World War II for INS, with the Italian partisans behind German lines at the time Mussolini was executed. She wrote an eye-witness account of the Italian dictator's death on returning to Allied lines. Rome had been her headquarters since 1947 in her capacity as correspondent there for the Seattle Times and the North American Newspaper Alliance, on a free-lance basis. She was a native of Seattle.

The Bulletin regretfully records the death of this popular Member and joins the entire membership in extending sympathy to her surviving husband and our fellow Member.

SYDNEY (Bill) MORRELL, the ex-London Daily Express foreign correspondent and now ass't director of Ford PR, was guest lecturer at NYU class ("PR in Gov't") taught by LEO J. MARGOLIN...SPYROS P. SKOURAS recently flew in from London....The Club office staff will gladly oblige the Member who requested that his mailing address be changed from RFD 5, Ridgefield, Conn. to RFD 1, Pound Ridge, N.Y.--if the Member would kindly tell them who he (or she) is...

Editor and Editorial Board Chairman: RALPH H. MAJOR, JR. Executive Editor: ROBERT L. DUNNE. Special Correspondents: BARBARA WACE (London); CURT L. HEYMANN (Paris); JOSEF ISRAELS II (Vienna); EDMUND STEVENS (Rome); ALEXANDER MacDONALD (Bangkok); GERHARD STINDT (Berlin); MAX DESFOR, GREG MacGREGOR (Tokyo); DAVID BOGUSLAV (Manila); JOHN WILHELM (Mexico City); JESSIE STEARNS (Washington).

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The following information is requested to assemble a biographical file of the Membership of the Overseas Press Club. The data will be maintained in the Club files and is not to be published in the Who's Who. It will provide necessary background information for the preparation of press releases and other publicity material in connection with Club activities.

Name _____
Last First Middle

Education: (From High School on)	School	Degree	Dates	Honors
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	_____	_____	_____	_____

Professionally
Active in which
fields? Check

News__ Magazines__ Radio__ Television__ Books__ Movies__ Pub. Rel__
Other _____

Professional and
Social Organizations
(Give date of mem-
bership and offices
held)

Vital Statistics:

Date of Birth _____

Single_____ Married_____ Number of children _____

Divorced_____ Widowed_____ Widower _____

Wife's Name _____

Children's Name _____

Other Professional _____
Writers in Family
(Give relationship) _____

What specialties?
Example: Politics,
Law, Economics, etc. _____

What geographic
areas do you know
most about: _____

Are you available
for lecture, radio
or TV engagements? _____

Agent

Who's Who Personal Data Questionnaire, Overseas Press Club of America

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--BULLETIN ITEMS--